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Honorable Lewis J. Liman United States District Judge Southern District of New York 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: <u>United States v. Lawrence Ray</u>

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Dear Judge Liman:

The parties are in receipt of the Court's force order requiring Mr. Ray to appear in the courthouse for today's proceeding. As counsel for Mr. Ray, we respectfully request that the Court excuse Mr. Ray's appearance for the Rule 17 oral argument and that we proceed on today's matter remotely, and schedule a remote arraignment on the second superseding indictment later in the week. The government does not object to this request.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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